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City Officials Release Updates to Storm Cleanup

TAYLOR, Texas – The City of Taylor has completed initial cleanup operations following damages that occurred throughout the City over the weekend.

Multiple facilities have been reopened and crews have been working around the clock to reestablish services to the community and the City has agreed to partner with Williamson County and surrounding cities on our claim.

As of this morning, the City has begun to assist the Oasis Shelter with transitioning the shelter management to the Austin Disaster Relief Network who will provide professional oversight and access to greater resources. Progressive Waste Management has provided additional roll off dumpsters to assist in cleanup efforts. The Taylor airport facility opened late Tuesday evening after city crews worked to clear the runways and taxiways and the lift-station became operational once again late this morning.

The City still has reports of road closures at South Rio Grande Street and one shoulder of Lorax Lane due to flood damage. Community members are urged to find alternate routes until these areas can be opened for public access again.

The Parks and Recreation department has reported the following:

- Taylor Regional Park is open
- Robinson Park is closed with limited access to the pavilion and pool
- Murphy Park playground is open. The Murphy pool is currently closed. Tennis courts 1-4 are open and courts 5-8 are closed with no operational lights on the courts
- Bull Branch Park playground and pavilion are open but all ball fields are closed
- Hike and Bike Trails will remain closed

Trash and debris can be brought to the City's cleanup site located at 701 Welch Street. If individuals are unable to haul debris to the Welch Street location, curbside pickup will take place on your regular trash day for limbs or debris less than four feet long. Please refer to the frequently asked questions (FAQs) located on the City of Taylor website for detailed information on debris pickup.

Updates on services affecting the community will be provided each day as our crews work to return the City to normal operations.